Program 022

SPI - Pupil Transportation

Recommendation Summary

Dollars in Thousands

Dollars in Thousands	Annual FTEs	General Fund State	Other Funds	Total Funds
2003-05 Expenditure Authority		441,741		441,741
Total Maintenance Level Difference Percent Change from Current Biennium		504,396 62,655 14.2%		504,396 62,655 14.2%
Performance Changes Pension Method Change		(5,338)		(5,338)
Subtotal		(5,338)		(5,338)
Total Proposed Budget Difference Percent Change from Current Biennium		499,058 57,317 13.0%		499,058 57,317 13.0%
Total Proposed Budget by Activity Student Transportation		499,058		499,058
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ACTIVITY DESCRIPTIONS

Student Transportation

Each school district electing to provide student transportation to and from school is entitled to state pupil transportation funding. The calculations for a district's pupil transportation allocation include adjustments for the number of students transported and distance weighting factors. The state does not include students within one radius mile in the general pupil transportation allocation. However, students in grades K-5 living within one radius mile, whether transported or not, generate additional funding which can be used to transport these students or to create safer walking conditions. The state also pays for the replacement of district school buses through a depreciation system. Schools transport over 480,000 students 90 million miles annually.